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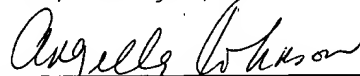
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This is a Request for filing a [ ] continuation [X] divisional under 37 CFR 1.53(d) of prior application Serial  
No. 08/964,180, filing date November 4, 1997  
entitled IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS FOR JOINING A PLURALITY OF IMAGES  
by the following named inventors:

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1. [X] Enter the amendment previously filed on November 30, 2001 under 37 CFR 1.116, but  
unentered in the prior application.

2. [X] An Amendment is enclosed.

Filing fee calculated on basis of claims existing in prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above.

For	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
Total Claims	<u>30</u> -20	<u>10</u>	x \$18.00	<u>\$180.00</u>
Independent Claims	<u>6</u> -3	<u>3</u>	x \$84.00	<u>\$252.00</u>
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			+ \$280.00	<u>280.00</u>
			BASIC FEE	\$ <u>740.00</u>
			Total of above Calculations	\$ <u>1,452.00</u>

3. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1378.

4. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 1,452.00 is enclosed.

5. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).

a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

6. ☐ Small entity status is claimed. A verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status is:  
☐ enclosed ☐ was filed in the prior application and status is still proper and desired.

7. ☒ Priority of following Application(s) is claimed under 35 USC 119:

Country	Serial No.	Filed
JAPAN	8-296750	November 8, 1996
JAPAN	8-312260	November 22, 1996

ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION FOR PUBLICATION:

8. ☒ Prior application assigned to: OLYMPUS OPTICAL CO., LTD.  
43-2, Hatagaya 2-chome, Shibuya-ku,  
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9. ☒ The Power of Attorney in the prior application includes the following:

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10. ☒ Also enclosed:

☐ Information Disclosure Statement  
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**AMENDMENT FILED CONCOMITANT WITH  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

S I R :

Prior to examination, please amend the present application  
as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 4, 6, 8, 11, 15, 16, 18, 23, 24 and 26  
and amend claim 7 as follows:

7. (Amended) The image processing apparatus according to  
claim 1 or 2, wherein said image correcting means corrects the  
image by changing the correction parameter in accordance with  
differences in color data between a plurality of images displayed  
by said image display means, and wherein said color data is at  
least one of hue, saturation, and intensity.

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